

FIRST 5 KERN
KERN COUNTY CHILDREN AND FAMILIES COMMISSION

Wednesday, October 5, 2016
Kern County Superintendent of Schools
1300 17th Street, Board Room 1A
Bakersfield, California

MINUTES

COMMISSION TO CONVENE

Present: Commissioners: Aunai, Maggard, Murphy, Rhoades, Robles, Sandrini, Sill, Wasson; Alternate Curioso

Note: Ai, Jh, Md, My, Rs, Rbs, Si, Sl, and Wn are abbreviations for Commissioners, Aunai, Jonah, Maggard, Murphy, Rhoades, Robles, Sandrini, Sill and Wasson respectively. Alternate Commissioners are also similarly denoted. For example, “Co-Rd” denotes Commissioner Curioso made the motion and Commissioner Reed seconded it. The abbreviation “AB” means absent and “ABD” abstained. “All ayes” means that all Commissioners present voted affirmatively. “NO” indicates a negative vote by the indicated Commissioner(s).

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

- 1) None

REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 2) Committee Member Announcements and Reports
 - Commissioner Sandrini gave an update on Mr. Maier’s health, post-surgery.
 - Commissioner Sandrini acknowledged a letter from Commissioner Walker appointing Jennie Sill as his permanent designee to the Commission due to his busy schedule. Commissioner Sandrini welcomed Commissioner Sill.
- 3) Technical Advisory Committee Report
 - Commissioner Wasson gave on update on the Technical Advisory Committee meeting of September 19, 2016.
- 4) Strategic Planning Report
 - Marc Thibault, Independent Contractor reported that he and staff have been meeting monthly to go over the process of how we learn from the public attending these meetings. We would also reflect on “what needs exist”, both new and ongoing in each of these communities. We would like to know in their locales among children, birth to 5 and their families, how First 5 Kern can have an impact.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

- 5) Jianjun Wang, Ph.D., Principal Investigator, California State University, Bakersfield, gave a PowerPoint presentation on the 2015-16 State Annual Report and invited the programs highlighted in his report to make a brief presentation.



- Focus Area 1 (Health and Wellness) – Michelle Curioso, Director of Nursing, County of Kern Public Health Services, gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Nurse Family Partnership Program explaining that the program is an evidenced based, community health program that transforms lives of vulnerable first-time mothers living in poverty, improving prenatal care, quality of parenting and life prospects for mothers by partnering them with a registered nurse and responded to questions.
- Focus Area 2 (Parent Education and Support Services) – Carol R. Bracy, Supervising Project Attorney, Greater Bakersfield Legal Assistance presented on the Guardianship Caregiver Project and responded to questions.

(Commissioner Murphy exited the meeting, 3:17 P.M.)

- Focus Area 3 (Early Childcare and Education) – Stephen L. Sanders, Chief of Staff, Kern County Superintendent of Schools, gave a presentation on the Ready To Start 2016 Program Review and responded to questions.
 - Marc Thibault reported that First 5 Kern is holding its 2016 Contractors Gathering. The goal of the gathering is to provide a venue for contractors to meet each other and the public and invited all to attend Thursday, October 13, 2016, 2000 K Street, 8:30-12:00 P.M.
- 6) Rosalva Flores, CPA, Partner, Brown Armstrong, gave a presentation on First 5 Kern's 2015-16 Fiscal Audit. Ms. Flores reported the audit was clean but noted a recommendation to insert internal procedures to assure the California Fair Political Practices, Form 700 were received timely.
- Commissioner Maggard gave a referral to staff to report back at the December 7, 2016 meeting regarding the internal controls implemented to ensure that the Form 700, April 1, deadlines are not missed.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- Ws-My
All Aves
- 7) Annual Financial Audit – OPENED HEARING; RECEIVED NO PUBLIC TESTIMONY; CLOSED HEARING; RECEIVED AND FILED ANNUAL FINANCIAL AUDIT; DIRECTED BROWN ARMSTRONG TO TRANSMIT THE ANNUAL FINANCIAL AUDIT TO THE CALIFORNIA CHILDREN AND FAMILIES COMMISSION.
- Rs-Rbs
All Aves
- 8) Annual Report to California Children and Families Commission – OPENED HEARING; RECEIVED NO PUBLIC TESTIMONY; CLOSED HEARING; RECEIVED AND FILED ANNUAL REPORT; DIRECTED THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO TRANSMIT THE ANNUAL REPORT TO THE CALIFORNIA CHILDREN AND FAMILIES COMMISSION

ACTION ITEMS

- Rs-My
All Aves
- 9) Minutes of the Children and Families Commission meeting of August 3, 2016 – APPROVED
- Rs-My
All Aves
- 10) First 5 Kern Commission and Technical Advisory Committee Meeting Schedules 2017 – APPROVED

MISCELLANEOUS DOCUMENTS TO BE RECEIVED AND FILED

- Rs-My
All Aves
- 11) Monthly Financial Report of July and August 2016 – RECEIVED AND FILED
- Rs-My
All Aves
- 12) Technical Advisory Committee meeting minutes of September 21, 2015, December 14, 2015 and March 21, 2016 – RECEIVED AND FILED
- Rs-My
All Aves
- 13) Letter from the Kern Medical Foundation, dated August 15, 2016, re: Safe Sleep Program – RECEIVED AND FILED
- Rs-My
All Aves
- 14) Letter from Bill Walker, LMFT, Director, County of Kern Mental Health Department, dated September 19, 2016, re: Designation of Jennie Sill as Mental Health Director Designee – RECEIVED AND FILED

ADJOURNED @ 3:26 P.M.

- 15) Adjourned to Wednesday, December 7, 2016, 2:00 P.M., 1300 17th Street, Board Room 1A